

Agencies concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2011 for the Department of Education and the education jobs crisis, after receiving testimony from Arne Duncan, Secretary of Education; Chris Bern, Iowa State Education Association, Des Moines; Joe Morton, Alabama Department of Education, Montgomery; Marc S. Herzog, Connecticut Community Colleges, Hartford; and Ramon C. Cortines, Los Angeles Unified School District, Los Angeles, California.

APPROPRIATIONS: NATIONAL AND MILITARY INTELLIGENCE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2011 for national and military intelligence, after receiving testimony from Dennis C. Blair, Director of National Intelligence, and James R. Clapper, Jr., Undersecretary for Intelligence, both of the Department of Defense.

APPROPRIATIONS: CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2011 for the Consumer Product Safety Commission, after receiving testimony from Inez Tenenbaum, Chairman, Consumer Product Safety Commission.

U.S. POLICY TOWARDS ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF IRAN

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded open and closed hearings to examine United States policy towards the Islamic Republic of Iran, after receiving testimony from Michele A. Flournoy, Under Secretary for Policy, General James E. Cartwright, USMC, Vice Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and Lieutenant General Ronald L. Burgess, USA, Director of the Defense Intelligence Agency, all of the Department of Defense; William J. Burns, Under Secretary of State for Political Affairs; and Andrew M. Gibb, National Intelligence Officer for Weapons of Mass Destruction, National Intelligence Council.

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Strategic Forces concluded a hearing to examine strategic forces programs of the National Nuclear Security Administration in review of the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2011, after receiving testimony from Thomas P. D'Agostino, Administrator, National Nuclear Security Administration, Department of Energy.

READINESS OF UNITED STATES FORCES

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support concluded a hearing to examine the current readiness of United States forces, after receiving testimony from General Peter W. Chiarelli, Vice Chief of Staff, United States Army, General James F. Amos, Assistant Commandant, United States Marine Corps, Admiral Jonathan Greenert, Vice Chief of Naval Operations, United States Navy, and General Carrol H. Chandler, Vice Chief of Staff, United States Air Force, all of the Department of Defense.

NATIONAL BROADBAND PLAN

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded a hearing to examine reviewing the national broadband plan, after receiving testimony from Julius Genachowski, Chairman, Federal Communications Commission.

IMPROVING TRANSPORTATION SAFETY

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded a hearing to examine opportunities to improve transportation safety, after receiving testimony from John D. Porcari, Deputy Secretary of Transportation; Kirk T. Steudle, Michigan Department of Transportation Director, Lansing, on behalf of the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials; Laura Dean-Mooney, Mothers Against Drunk Driving, Jacqueline S. Gillan, Advocates for Highway and Auto Safety, and Gregory M. Cohen, American Highway Users Alliance, all of Washington, D.C.; Deborah A. Hubsmith, Safe Routes to School National Partnership, Fairfax, California; and Ted R. Miller, Center for Public Health Improvement and Innovation, Calverton, Maryland.

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded a hearing to examine using unemployment insurance to help Americans get back to work, focusing on creating opportunities and overcoming challenges, after receiving testimony from Jane Oates, Assistant Secretary of Labor for Employment and Training; Doug Holmes, Strategic Services on Unemployment and Workers Compensation, Washington, D.C.; Karen Lee, National Association of State Workforce Agencies (NASWA), Olympia, Washington; and Mark Zandi, Moody's Analytics, West Chester, Pennsylvania.

WESTERN BALKANS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on European Affairs concluded a hearing to examine Southeast Europe, focusing on opportunities and challenges in the Western Balkans, after receiving